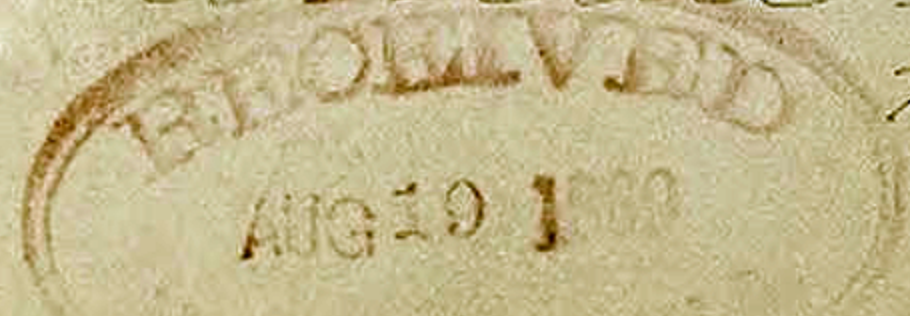


Very Respectfully  
B. F. Miller

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1016 Ninth Street - N.W.  
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August 18<sup>th</sup> 1889

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much reduced in circumstances  
through loss of government  
position, occasioned by long  
protracted illness - and having



still left a few relics of former prosperity, of which I must dispose for bread, I venture to write you.

I have a Swiss watch chain & brooch (the gift of my husband who is hopelessly insane) which cost him \$30.<sup>00</sup> a pair of solid silver napkin rings the cost of which was \$5.<sup>00</sup> and a solid silver fruit knife at \$3.<sup>00</sup> and several other pieces of old fashioned jewelry one set of coral and another enamelled gold both sets costing together \$50.<sup>00</sup> but now quite old fashioned.

Have disposed of various articles at the furniture, but received so little for them as

to make the parting with them a painful sacrifice.

I am making efforts for re-employment to my position lost in the War Department, but have absolutely nothing upon which to live while waiting. as the little I had accumulated has all been absorbed by illness and adversity.

If you will kindly take my souvenirs and state your price, I could have them expressed to you by E. O. Leech, the Comptroller of Bullion in the Mint Service, Treasury Department. Surely entailing no risk.



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